Introduced by Assembly Member Davis

February 16, 2010

An act relating to telecommunications.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1918, as introduced, Davis. Public utilities: procurement: minority-, women-, disabled veteran-owned business enterprises.

Existing law directs the Public Utilities Commission to require every electrical, gas, water, and telephone corporation with gross annual revenues exceeding \$25,000,000, and their regulated subsidiaries and affiliates, to implement a program developed by the commission to inform, recruit, and utilize minority-, women-, and disabled veteran-owned business enterprises, as defined, in the procurement of contracts from those corporations or from their regulated subsidiaries and affiliates, and to require the reporting of certain information. The commission, by rulemaking, has adopted General Order 156, applicable to certain electrical, gas, and telephone corporations, to effectuate these requirements.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to amend specified statutory provisions relating to that program to require cable television and wireless telecommunications service providers to comply with that general order.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

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The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
- 2 legislation to amend Sections 8281, 8283, 8284, and 8285 of the
- 3 Public Utilities Code, relating to a program for increasing utility
- 4 procurement from minority-, women-, and disabled veteran-owned
- 5 business enterprises, to require cable television and wireless
- 6 telecommunications service providers to comply with General
- 7 Order 156 of the Public Utilities Commission.